IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Alain LECOMPTE Conf. 2996

Application No. 10/554,282 Group 1638

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METHOD FOR OBTAINING RECOMBINANT PLANTS OF THE CICHORIUM GENUS AND PLANTS THUS OBTAINED

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents February 12, 2010 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 13, 2010, which objected to the Amendment filed November 19, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

An Appendix is attached following the signature page of this paper.